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LETTER

The Examiner is hereby advised of co-pending U.S. Patent Application, Application Number 10/716,081. The subject matter contained in this co-pending U.S. Patent Application, Application Number 10/716,081, is related to the above-identified application, and thus may be relevant to the subject matter of the instant application.

This co-pending application is not to be construed as prior art. By bringing this co-pending application to the attention of the Examiner, the Applicant does **NOT** waive any confidentiality concerning this co-pending application. 35 U.S.C. 122 (1988); see Medical Laboratory Automation Inc. v. Labcon Inc., 500 F.Supp. 54, 58 n.5 (N.D. Ill. 1980), aff'd, 670 F.2d 671 (7th Cir. 1981). Furthermore, if said co-pending application should not mature into a patent, said co-pending application should be preserved in secrecy under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 122 (1988) and 37 C.F.R. 1.14.

Respectfully submitted,

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